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Subject: Designation of Routes for the Transportation of Highway
Route Controlled Quantity (HRCQ) Shipments of
Radioactive Materials (HMS-94-01)

Attn: Routing and Prenotification Unit

This office has undertaken a review of the proposed regulatory action. We have examined the initial statement of reasons for the proposed regulatory action along with the information upon which the proposed action is based. At this time, we concur with the proposed text regarding HRCQ routes (Title 13, California Code of Regulations, Chapter 6, Article 2.7).

We anticipate the need for future consultation with you and other state entities, as well as interested parties, in the exploration of a shorter route between Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and the Nevada Test Site. We recognize that the described preferred routing has HRCQ shipments transiting a heavily traveled corridor within the Los Angeles basin. Consideration of a shorter route is prompted by risk factors relating to time in transit and exposure that can vary significantly, based on population, among available routes.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond and provide comments on this proposed regulatory action. Should clarification or further information be required, please contact Gary N. Callihan, Hazardous Materials Transportation Manager, at (510) 422-0784.



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